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## **IDAHO CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 6 PERCENT**

Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on July 1, 2004 totaled 240,000 head, down 6 percent from the July 1, 2003 inventory, according to the Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service. The inventory was down 6 percent from the number on hand June 1, 2004. Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during June totaled 47,000 head, down 16,000 head from June 2003 placements. Marketings during June totaled 60,000 head, down 7,000 from June 2003 marketings.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States from feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.12 million head on July 1, 2004. The inventory was 2 percent above July 1, 2003 but 4 percent below July 1, 2002. Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.64 million, 2 percent below 2003 and down slightly from 2002. Net placements were 1.57 million. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 460,000, 600-699 pounds were 356,000, 700-799 pounds were 448,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 375,000. Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 2.08 million, 7 percent below 2003 but up slightly from 2002. Other disappearance totaled 70,000 during June, 15 percent above 2003 and 37 percent above 2002.

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